

JUROR WAS MIXED.**Yorkville Enquirer.**

An incident unprecedented in the annals of the court of common pleas for York county occurred yesterday when one of the jurors after listening to testimony and arguments for more than two hours, inquired of Judge John S. Wilson, presiding, as to who was the plaintiff and who the defendant.

It happened in the case of the Southern railway vs. James Bros., in which the plaintiff sought pay for alleged cost of feeding of mules shipped by the defendant. The issue was somewhat clouded in that the defendant admitted his indebtedness to the plaintiff railway company although not in amount as great as the railway company claimed.

After Judge Wilson had completed his charge he informed the jurors that he would be glad to answer any question that any one might see fit to ask. Juror R. H. Gilfillan inquired: "Judge, what I want to know is who is the defendant and who is the plaintiff in this action?"

The information was given and the jury retired returning after some deliberation with a verdict for the plaintiff.

Lawyers discussed the incident yesterday afternoon and local attorneys as well as visiting lawyers said that never before in all their experience had they heard such a question asked.

"I have often heard as a joke of the juror who asked which was the defendant and which was the plaintiff in a case," Senator John R. Hart, said: "but never before until this afternoon did such an incident come under my observation."

"I have been an attendant upon court off and on for forty-eight years," said Mr. Robert Witherspoon of Yorkville who was in the courtroom at the time; "but never before had I heard a juror ask that question."

MME. DU BARRY'S ORIGIN.

Ruler of Louis XV. Was Once a Lady's Waiting Maid.

Madame du Barry, who became the favorite of Louis XV in his old age, after the death of the celebrated Pompadour, was of most humble origin. She was the natural daughter of Mme. Anne Becu, who, coming to Paris about 1750, married a domestic named Rancou.

Pretty little Jeanne Rancou, as the later notorious Du Barry, "who ruled the destinies of France for five long years," was then known attracted many persons by her beauty, among them a well-known financier and philanthropist. Through him she was admitted to the convent school of Ste. Auroré. She remained eight years, emerging at fifteen.

During the succeeding years in which little Jeanne was budding into

womanhood she served as a lady's maid, and as a milliner's apprentice. In the midst of her gallantries and love affairs she met the dissolute Comte Jean du Barry, who made her his mistress. For four years she presided over his gaming parlors, until, in the spring of 1768, she came across the path of King Louis, who immediately became captivated with her charms. He made her his mistress, and to give the affair a show of decency the person of Comte Guillaume du Louis found a husband for her in Barry, a brother of her former paramour.

With all her faults, Madame du Barry, in the height of her power, was a patron of arts and letters.

The death of Louis caused her being ordered to a convent by the new King Louis XVI. Shortly after the outbreak of the Revolution she went to London. On her return, in July, 1793, Robespierre ordered her arrest. She was found guilty of wasting the treasures of the state, conspiring against the Republic, and with wearing mourning for the late king. She was sent to the guillotine in 1793.—Detroit News.

Are Business Men Smart?

Dr. Edwin L. Thorndik, the Columbia University psychologist, has devised a system of intelligence tests intended to ascertain the mental abilities of prospective college students. They reveal not knowledge, understanding, but mental alertness, quick wit, perception. Recently he gave these tests to fifty leading business men of an eastern city. The results were astonishing. Not one of the business men was up to the average of the young students entering Columbia. And the general average of the business men was still further below that of the college students. Yet the business men were all regarded as the highest type, conspicuously successful. What does this indicate? I, frankly, do not know. It is not easy to believe that successful business men are less intelligent than college freshmen. Yet, perhaps, the affairs of this workaday world do dull our senses. I wonder if it isn't alarmingly easy to go to seed. And does proficiency in one special line of thought tend to rob us of our aptitude for everything else? Are we as smart as we think we are?—Fred Kelley in The Nation's Business.

CREDITOR'S NOTICE.

Having qualified as executor of the estate of Jasper Hayes, deceased, notice is hereby given that all persons holding claims against the estate are hereby notified to present same duly authenticated with the time provided by law or this notice will be paid in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the said estate are hereby notified to make

immediate payment to the undersigned executor.

L. F. Johnson,
Executor.

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FINAL DISCHARGE NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that Lloyd Thompson, administrator of the estate of Ellis Thompson, deceased has made application unto me for final

discharge as administrator, and that Monday, June 6th at 10 o'clock in the forenoon has been appointed for the hearing of the said petition.

All persons holding claims against the said estate are requested to file them with the administrator on or before 10 o'clock in the forenoon of June the 6th or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery.

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